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35/4. Promotion of the right to peace

The Human Rights Council,

Recalling all previous resolutions on the promotion of the right to peace and the promotion of peace as a vital requirement for the full enjoyment of all human rights by all, adopted by the General Assembly, the Commission on Human Rights and the Human Rights Council, in particular Council resolution 32/28 of 1 July 2016,

Welcoming the adoption by the General Assembly, by its resolution 71/189 of 19 December 2016, of the Declaration on the Right to Peace,

Recalling that States, the United Nations and specialized agencies should take appropriate sustainable measures to implement the Declaration, in particular the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization,

1. *Recalls* that everyone has the right to enjoy peace such that all human rights are promoted and protected and development is fully realized;

2. *Stresses* that States should respect, implement and promote equality and non-discrimination, justice and the rule of law, and guarantee freedom from fear and want as a means to build peace within and between societies;

3. *Recognizes* that peace is not only the absence of conflict but also requires a positive, dynamic participatory process where dialogue is encouraged and conflicts are solved in a spirit of mutual understanding and cooperation, and socioeconomic development is ensured;

4. *Decides* to convene, with the support of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, in the period between the thirty-seventh and the thirty-eighth sessions of the Human Rights Council, a half-day intersessional workshop on the right to peace, to discuss the implementation of the Declaration on the Right to Peace;

5. *Requests* the High Commissioner to submit a report on the workshop, in the form of a summary, to the Human Rights Council at its thirty-ninth session;

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6. *Encourages* all Member States, specialized agencies and civil society to participate in the discussions of the workshop so that worldwide representation in the debates can be ensured;

7. *Decides* to remain seized of the matter.

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[Adopted by a recorded vote of 32 to 11, with 4 abstentions. The voting was as follows:

In favour:

Bangladesh, Bolivia (Plurinational State of), Botswana, Brazil, Burundi, China, Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Iraq, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Mongolia, Nigeria, Panama, Paraguay, Philippines, Qatar, Rwanda, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Togo, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Against:

Belgium, Croatia, Germany, Hungary, Japan, Latvia, Netherlands, Republic of Korea, Slovenia, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America

Abstaining:

Albania, Georgia, Portugal, Switzerland]